

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF VERMONT**

RICHARD WEST and JOSEPH
BRUYETTE, individually and on behalf of a
putative class of similarly situated persons,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MICHAEL SMITH, Vermont Secretary of
Human Services; JANE DOE, Vermont
Deputy Secretary of Human Services;
JAMES BAKER, Interim Department of
Corrections Commissioner; JOHN DOE,
Vermont Department of Corrections Health
Services Director, in their official capacities.

Defendants.

Case No. 2:19-cv-81

ORDER STAYING PROCEEDINGS

The parties have filed a joint motion to stay this case for 30 days pending settlement discussions. The court grants this motion.

On or before May 14, 2021, the Parties are directed to file either a motion for preliminary approval of a class settlement or a status report either requesting additional time to pursue settlement or proposing an updated set of deadlines to the October 19, 2020 Discovery Order.

SO ORDERED:

April 14, 2021
DATE

/s/ William K. Sessions III
Hon. William K. Sessions
United States District Court for the District of Vermont